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Happy Monday Kelli,

Thanks for the email inclusion. As you prepare your remarks for the *House Committee on Homeland Security & Committee on Environmental Regulation* meeting, I wanted to make you aware of the guidance document created back in 2011 out of the Region 6 Regional Response Team (RRT6) titled *Activation Guidance of the Poison Control for the RRT and JRT (Joint Response Team U.S./Mexico)*. Through my leadership and representing both the U.S. Health and Human Services under the National Response Framework that includes Emergency Support Function 8 (ESF-8 Medical/Health) and Emergency Support Function 10 (ESF-10 Environmental/HAZMAT/Health) we have increased and incorporated Poison Centers in the response at the Federal and State level to address disaster of National Significance. The RRT is co-chaired by both the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Coast Guard. The EPA Co-chair is Mr. Ronnie Crossland and Mr. Mike Sams is the Coast Guard Co-Chair. U.S. EPA handles inland spills and hazardous materials response/cleanup, while the U.S. Coast Guard addresses navigable waterways and coastal/off shore spills and hazardous materials response/cleanup. Both have Federal On-Scene Coordinators (OSCs) and they are aware of this guidance and how the Poison Centers address medical and public health response during a hazmat event. I am including them in this email in case you have questions. As a side note, we are the only Region in the country to utilize the expertise of the Poison Centers. No other Region has this guidance.

The key to any response is getting the right stakeholders at the table. For continued improvement in hazardous materials response with addressing the local health concern from exposures to hazardous materials is linking and incorporating medical health experts that can address those questions locally. We support the local response, the local health authority and the States. Poison Centers provide that key relevant resource during and after a disaster. Critical just in time tele-health and tele-medicine response with real time data surveillance. However, the local responders and emergency managers need to know how to engage and activate the Poison Centers and include them in preparedness plans and response events. Seems everyone knows 911 but very few know 1-800-222-1222.

Just last year, the U.S. EPA conducted a road show to many Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) across Region 6 States. EPA has encouraged the LEPC to incorporate the Poison Control within the local plans to better assist the communities and citizens address exposures to toxic materials during disaster events. Mr. Steve Mason with EPA has lead and supported this effort since 2011. Email included for any follow up question.

In closing, I have been working to expand this concept of utilizing the Poison Centers since 2005 and expanding outside of Region 6 through dialog with the American Association of Poison Control Centers (AAPCC) for multi-surge, multi-State Poison Center response to support large scale disaster events. We have the technology and "cloud network" to help us now. I am working with IT experts and AAPCC to explore this concept. The current sitting President is Dr. Mark Ryan with the Louisiana Poison Control Center in Shreveport, LA. Dr. Ryan is an excellent speaker and representative of the National Poison Center network (54 Poison Centers). If you need support, I know Dr. Ryan would be very happy to provide details from the AAPCC perspective. Email included for any follow up questions.

Best of luck with your brief. Please keep us in the loop on any finds or results of your efforts.

Respectfully,

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I understand....and appreciate what you are doing for the program. I'll go testify to that!!! If you think of anything you or others want me to include in my remarks, please let me know.

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I will have to be in Galveston to finalize the HRSA grant

Working with UTMB take significant time

I can give you anything you need but I can't be there
Sorry

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David,

There is a hearing scheduled on 4/5 (next Friday) regarding the Deer Park incident. It is a joint hearing of House Committee on Homeland Security & Committee on Environmental Regulation. I sent them this

Sit Rep and they have asked us to provide invited testimony. I can make it for sure. Would you or one of the other Poison Center Directors be able to join me? Let me know. I need to get the Committee Clerk name and title ASAP. If not, I would be happy to testify and provide the committees with your written testimony.

Thank you!

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